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NEW PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER  
(37 C.F.R. §1.53(b))

Transmitted herewith for filing is an original (nonprovisional)  
patent application of:

**Inventor(s):** Daniel G. Schweikert, John F. MacDonald

**Entitled:** Metal Region For Reduction of Capacitive Coupling  
Between Signal Lines

Enclosed are the following papers as required for a filing  
date under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b):

\_\_\_\_ Sheets Microfiche Appendix;  
\_\_\_\_ 22 Pages Description;  
\_\_\_\_ 5 Pages Claims;  
\_\_\_\_ 1 Page Abstract; and  
\_\_\_\_ 3 Drawing Sheets (Informal).

Other papers enclosed include:

\_\_\_\_ X Return Receipt Postcard  
\_\_\_\_ X Check for \$ 1,130.00  
\_\_\_\_ 6 Pages of Combined Declaration For Patent  
Application and Power of Attorney (In  
counterpart)

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- Pages of Statement Claiming Small Entity  
Status (37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(b) -- Small  
Business Concern)  
☒ Recordation Form Cover Sheet  
2 Pages of Assignment of the invention to Sun  
Microsystems, Inc. (In counterpart)

Fee Calculation					
Claims	Number Filed	Basic Fee Allowance	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee
					\$760.00
Total No. of Claims	34	- 20 =	14	X \$18.00	\$ 252.00
No. Independent Claims	4	- 3 =	1	X \$78.00	\$ 78.00
Multiple Dependent Claims				\$260.00	0.00
Total of above Calculation					\$1090.00
Reduction by 50% for filing by Small Entity (Enter 0.5 for small entity)					1.0
Filing Fee					\$1,090.00

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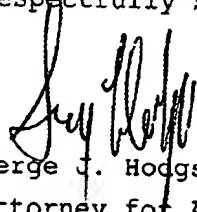
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Filing Fee	\$1,090.00
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